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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:
 Brian Birrenkott et al.

Application No.: 10/712,970

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For: **SPRAYING DEVICE WITH
INTERCHANGEABLE
CARTRIDGE**

Examiner: Kim, Christopher S.

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS - AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

In response to the Office Action mailed March 2, 2005, the examiner is requested to enter the enclosed AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS to place the application in better form for consideration on appeal per 37 CFR §1.116. The examiner is also requested to consider the attached contentions made in the REMARKS. The contentions are directed to the premature final rejection in this application and to the improper applications of sections 102 and 103 against the subject claims.

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